

Journal of October. 1869. Continued

Tuesday 19th

This twenty four hours commences with good breeze from S.W. Steering under all sail by the wind heading S.E. Saw one seal. Steering by the wind on opposite tack. Employed in running a green line & fixing line tub. At Five P.M. saw Blackfish lowered the quarter boat. But met with poor success at sundown came on board. Through the night had good weather & fine breeze. Steered full & by the wind. At 10 P.M. tacked heading N.W. by North. At nine A.M. saw St. Thomas three points at noon. our Lat 26 miles South.

Wednesday 20th

To day weather good. Steering by the wind heading first part N.W. by N. Employed in coiling a new line & making line crew & work in rigging & scraping fly jib boom. Through the night had steady S.W. wind. At 9 P.M. tacked ship N.W. by S. & E. was the way the headed. At half past seven tacked again heading N.W. by North. Late St. Thomas. Cork left at 12 noon bearing North. Supposed Lat 28th South.

Thursday 21st

To day employed in scraping down foremast & Coasting a new line & I over hauled my daret back's. Good good weather & steady S.W. wind. Steering N.W. by N. on the wind. Saw porpoises. The night had steady wind from the same quarter. Steering the same. Later the same at noon found our Lat to be 12th South. So ends. Cook still sick.

Started Saturday

On board Lbr. J. Blake of Maria

This Friday 22nd

Sea account opens with a good steady S.W. wind. Just tacked ship heading N.W. by E. under all sail. Have been employed in tinkering & scraping around & repairing tub chills. Have seen nothing. Middle the same. Weather light air, with calms at daylight. Saw Convolvulus bearing N.W. by W. So ends. Lat 9th 02' South.

Sat October 23rd

This twenty four hours commences with light breeze from S.W. Steering by the wind heading S.E. & E. Heavily employed in scraping at the main. Middle part the day calm. Saw Blackfish at 11 A.M. & latter part had light breeze from S.W. At dawn of day saw Convolvulus two points on our bow heading N.W. by North. Lat 1st 20' S.

Sunday 24th

This twenty four hours commences with light but steady wind from S.W. Steering by the wind N.W. by N. Convolvulus distant 15 miles. Middle part losing off & on at daylight. Iron in & at light. A.M. let in the anchor in 7 fathoms water. Capt. even on shore for fruit. Employed in breaking out new main sail & getting two casks on shore for water. So ends. One English man a man at anchor.

Oct 25th

Monday weather good. got off two casks of water & some fruit. At Three P.M. hoisted up our anchor & made sail with a fine S.W. wind head on the wind & by East. Convolvulus distant five miles. Middle part good breeze. Steering the same. Latter part more dark & cloudy. did not get the sun.